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We Are On Our Way Towards The Redemption Of Africa

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As we enter our ninth milestone, we renew our pledge of service to Mother Africa, no matter the penalty to be paid, no matter the consequences, no matter the barriers to be hurdled. We know that men and women with progressive ideas and humanitarian outlook would wish us continued success in our uphill task, and we assure all our comrades-in-arms that we shall not renege when the acid test comes, for we are on our way towards the redemption of Africa. 11-22-45

The WEST AFRICAN PILOT is eight years old today. We have every reason to be grateful to an appreciative public whose patronage has been world-wide and has been an inspiration to the management and the staff of this national paper, all these years.

The secret of success of the WEST AFRICAN PILOT is not due to its enormous wealth, or to influential personalities behind its organisation, or to its mechanical production, rather, it is due to consistency of ideals, sincerity of purpose, constancy of an uncompromising attitude towards the cause of Africa, backed by an unflinching determination to serve the cause of Africa until that continent has been redeemed from the shackles of economic slavery, social disabilities, religious intolerance and political servitude. 11-22-45

No propaganda so vile, so artful, so false, so ignoble, can deter us from our onward march to the goal of African redemption. And no person or group of persons, so powerful, so subtle, so callous and so brutal can stultify our philosophy of "Live and Let Live."

Our motto is "Show the Light and the People Will Find the Way." This gem of thought of Alighieri Dante will continue to be a lamp to guide our feet in the arena of journalism on this continent. By the providential guidance of the God of Africa and by the material and moral support of Africans and those human beings who believe that the noblest life is one in which man stoops down and inspires the fallen to greater heights, we shall continue the march towards the New Africa full of hope and optimism.

On this eighth anniversary of the WEST AFRICAN PILOT I take this opportunity, on behalf of the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Zik's Press Limited, to thank all who by various devices — oral, visual, aural, mechanical and otherwise — and by personal appearance, did sympathise and cheer us during the ban which was placed on the PILOT from July 8 to August 14, 1945, and the threat made on the life of the Chairman of this paper.

Messages came from all parts of the world — Nigeria and the British West African territories, the Republic of Liberia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the United States of America, the British West Indies and from West African troops in India, Burma, the Middle East and Mediterranean theatres of war.

We appreciate these noble gestures because they demonstrate the unwillingness of humanity to condone man's inhumanity to man, even in the continent of Africa.

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Alabama

**Farms Decrease
Over Montgomery
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1,337 Less In County Than**

Totals Of 10 Years Ago

Alabama

The number of farms in Montgomery County is on the decrease, the 1945 agricultural preliminary census report showing 3,127 farms against 3,772 in 1940 and 4,464 in 1935. The preliminary census figures were released Monday by Norman Guy, supervisor of the Sixth Alabama District with headquarters in Montgomery.

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Mr. Guy also reported that there was a substantial decrease in farms in Conecuh County which dropped from 3,246 in 1940 to 2,542 in 1945 and 3,795 in 1935.

Crenshaw County, according to Mr. Guy's report, showed 2,701 farms in 1945 as compared with 2,814 in 1940 and 3,484 in 1935.

The total lands in farms in Montgomery County, according to the preliminary 1945 census, was 444,543 acres as compared with 430,623 acres in 1940 and 344,316 acres in 1935. The average size of farms shown in the preliminary census count for Montgomery County was 142 acres as compared with 114 acres in 1940 and 77 acres in 1935.

The total land in farms in Conecuh County for 1945 was 232,188 acres as compared with 239,609 acres in 1940 and 251,650 acres in 1935. The average size of the Conecuh farm in 1945 was 91.3 acres as compared with 73.9 acres in 1940 and 66.3 acres in 1935.

The total acres of farm lands in Crenshaw County in 1945 was 259,798 as compared with 276,298 in 1940 and 273,186 in 1935. The average size of a Crenshaw farms in 1945 was 96.2 acres as compared with 98.2 acres in 1940 and 78.4 acres in 1935.

Census Supervisor Guy pointed out, when reading the figures, that they are only preliminary and the final figures will be announced from Washington when completed.